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MATERIAL, METHOD FOR INHIBITING INACTIVATION OF BIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE. AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING FROZEN PRODUCT OR FREEZE-DRIED PRODUCT

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